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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia and Charles Pine, Special Agent-in-Charge of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal Investigations Division (IRS-CID), announced that Jean Nicolas Lataillade, age 45, of Alexandria, Virginia, was sentenced today to 24 months in prison and fined \$20,000 by the Honorable T.S. Ellis III, U.S. District Court Judge, for violating a federal law prohibiting individuals from structuring cash deposits in an attempt to cause the financial institutions to not file Currency Transaction Reports (CTRs) with the Internal Revenue Service.

From the period of May 10 - May 24, 2004 Jean Nicolas Lataillade structured 31 cash deposits totaling \$255,990 into his bank accounts. These deposits were made into his bank account in individual amounts below \$10,000 in an effort to hide from the IRS cash that Lataillade claims to be clandestine cash payments made to him in prior years while employed as a sales executive for Teleglobe Communications Corporation, an international telecommunications company that was based out of Reston, Virginia.

In a plea agreement with the United States Attorney's Office, Lataillade filed amended income tax returns to report the \$255,990 in income that he originally did not report to the IRS on his tax returns. In addition to paying his unreported back taxes to the IRS, Lataillade also forfeited to the U.S. Government \$59,400 in funds directly traced to the structured cash transactions.

The investigation was conducted by a specialized unit of the Baltimore/Washington High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area Task Force that is comprised of federal law enforcement agents and local police detectives from the IRS, U.S.S.S., Virginia State Police, Metropolitan Washington Airport Authority, and Alexandria and Arlington Police Departments. The case was prosecuted by Special Assistant United States Attorney Jessica Lombardo.

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